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California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment  
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**Subject: Lower Glyphosate Levels**

Dear Committee Members:

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to speak today. My name is Deborah Whitman and I'm the founder and president of a 501c3 nonprofit called Environmental Voices.

We believe that Glyphosate should be given a 0.0 "No Safe Range" and should be banned in the State of California because it accumulates in the body, is known to cause cancer and there is no way to monitor the exposures in our food, water and air.

Like millions of people, I suffer from severe multiple chemical sensitivities and have been hospitalized twice from exposures of samples of herbicides that had been sprayed on the levy at the Vic Fazio Wildlife Refuge located at the Yolo Bypass. I know, from experience, how toxic these chemicals are to the body. In addition, I witnessed the spraying of Roundup behind the kindergarten class at a Natomas Elementary School while class was in session. They had been spraying at the school for several days and they spray these chemicals routinely; exposing children and teachers. There is no way to determine how much glyphosate these children are being exposed to or what the long term risks are.

We urge you to stand up against the chemical manufacturers and suppliers of glyphosate products to protect the people who reside in or visit California.

Sincerely,

Deborah J. Whitman  
President – Environmental Voices